ANIMAL LIBERATION FRONT

ACTION REPORT

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Reports of direct action for animal liberation taken by A.L.F. and other similar groups.

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(All actions have taken place in England unless otherwise stated)

Correction

Entry for June 4th in Action Report NO.8 should read Havant, Hants.

Note to activists

If your action does not appear in these reports that is because we have received no report of it.

It is vital that we receive reports of all A.L.F. and similar actions so that we can make known the full extent of militant animal liberation activity.

Please send us any press cuttings which mention your action Particularly useful are cuttings from free local newspapers and foreign newspapers as we do not get these from our press cuttings service.

Please try to make sure that your actions get reported in the press - but if they are not please send us an anonymous report either typed or in disguised writing.

Send reports to A.L.F., BCM Box 1160, London, WC1N 3XX, England.

Early June 1984 - Islington,N.London
A.L.F. activists rescued a dog from a pet shop in Upper St., London N.1 where it was being kept in bad conditions.
The group entered the shop while it was open and took the dog when they saw that the proprietor's attention was distracted.

Early June 1984 - Nottingham
A.L.F. group let 12 tyres down on 4 vans belonging to Seymours Meat Co. One of the vans also had paint thrown all over it.

June 1984 - Holland
3 beagles that were rescued by the Dierenbevrijdingsfront (Dutch A.L.F.) in May were recaptured by the police in the Ede area and returned to the TNO lab animal breeding factory.
A few days later,however, the D.B.F. raided TNO again and rescued the dogs for a second time, despite the fact that security measures had been increased.

June 2nd 1984 - Assling,Bayern, W.Germany

50 dogs and 30 small animals rescued from vivisection breeder by Autonomous Animal Defenders.

June 16th 1984 - Göttingen, W.Germany

30 cats and 12 dogs were rescued from a physiology lab at the university by the Autonome Tierschutzer (Autonomous Animal Defenders).
A spokesman for the group told W.German newspapers that the animals had been undergoing experiments that had the end result of making them crippled. He added that 6.8 million animals are used in experiments every year in West Germany.

June 17th 1984 - Hounslow, Middx.

A.L.F. activists carried out paint spray attacks on two fast food restaurants in Hounslow High Street.
Staff of the Burger King store at the corner of Holloway Street arrived for work on Monday to find a 40-foot side wall daubed with slogans and symbols protesting at the killing of animals for meat.
Shortly afterwards an anonymous call to the Middlesex Chronicle claimed responsibility on behalf of the Animal Liberation Front.
The caller said his group had carried out the Burger King incident and a similar one at McDonalds in the High Street.
He stressed that the action was non-violent, and part of a campaign against several stores in Hounslow district.

June 18th 1984 - Liverpool

When caretaker Sam Whelan arrived at the Tower Building in Water Street he found giant letters reading 'Norwegians are still whale killers' spray painted on the front door.
When he tried to open the doors he found that the locks had been gummed up with glue that took hours to remove.
An anonymous caller from the A.L.F. told the Liverpool Echo that the attack was to mark the opening of an international conference on whaling in Argentina today - and claimed that Norway,Japan and the Soviet Union are the only countries still killing whales.

June 23rd 1984 - Ramsgate,Kent.

Neglected dog rescued from a back garden by A.L.F. activists.

June 24th 1984 - South Norwood, S.London

A.L.F. activists rescued 41 rabbits from a Dr.Barnardo's children's home in Tennison road in the early hours of the morning after receiving a tip-off that the animals were being reared for meat and vivisection by the hostel's manager.
The rabbits were being kept in overcrowded conditions in a disused garage,often without food or water, and during the past six months many had died from neglect and maltreatment.
A proliferation of maggots was found in their filthy cages.
A veterinary expert who examined 29 rescued baby rabbits said they would have died within a matter of days had they not been rescued.
During the raid 10 Aylesbury ducks, which were not being looked after properly, were also rescued. All the animals have now been placed in good homes.

June 26th 1984 - Ramsgate,Kent

A.L.F. activists smashed the window of Viking Security Co. the firm which deals with the security at Charles Rivers laboratory animal supplies.

June 25th 1984 - Ramsgate,Kent.

Thanet Meat Co. lorry painted with slogans and had locks glued by A.L.F. activists.

June 28th 1984 - Paris, France

4 butchers shops had their front windows broken by heavy stones.
The first to be attacked was in Argenteuil, its awning was completely burnt down. The slogans ''Viande = Meurtre'' (Meat is Murder) and F.L.A. (Front de Liberation de L'Animal) were sprayed on the garage door of the butchers with red paint.
The second was also in Argenteuil where the same slogans were sprayed. Its front window was completely smashed with a cobble stone from the street.
The third was in Colombes. Same slogan and same letters sprayed in red and the window in the door broken with a large cobble stone.
The fourth butchers was in Courbevoie. Same slogans and letters

sprayed and front window completely smashed by cobble stone. After these attacks , the activists phoned the French Press Agency (A.F.P.) and said they did this in protest against the murderous trade in meat and against factory farms. 'These farms are concentration camps for animals where they undergo much suffering before being slaughtered, often conscious, in the slaughter house. The trade of animals for food will be attacked up to bankruptcy', the statement continued.

June 28th 1984 - Bangor, N.Ireland.

A.L.F. activists painted slogans and removed advertising at the B.F.S.S.-organized Game and County fair at the Clandeboye Estate,near Bangor.

June 30th 1984 - Folsom,California, U.S.A.

Animal Liberation Front activists entered the grounds of the Folsom Rodeo in the early hours of the morning to protest against the brutal treatment and exploitation of animals in rodeos.
Messages which were spray-painted on gates, walls, seats and buildings included 'Ban the Rodeo', 'Rodeos are Brutal', ' odeos are Torture', 'Boycott Rodeos' and 'Save the Animals'.
An unidentified A.L.F. activist later said ''Rodeos are cruel and injurious to animals, and an obvious case of animal exploitation which, along with all other such atrocities, must stop.''
''The A.L.F. will continue to liberate animals, and inform the public of torturous traditions such as rodeos whenever and wherever it can.
''Until the law carries out the responsibility for protecting rights of animals, no facility where animals are forced to suffer may be considered safe.
''This is a warning. In the future, actions may be stronger, and more direct."

June 30th 1984 - Preston,Lancashire

In the first action by Preston A.L.F. activists caused £850 worth of damage at a furriers store. Stones were hurled through the plate glass windows of Fisher's fur shop in Fishersgate.

June 30th 1984 - Herne Bay, Kent

A.L.F. glued locks of 11 shops involved in animal abuse, including butchers,Boots the chemist, fishing tackle shops.

June 30th 1984 - Broadstairs,Kent

Raid by A.L.F. on premises of a man who had recently obtained planning permission for an intensive rabbit farm. 2 cars paint-strippered and walls painted with slogans.

Late June 1984 - Coventry area, W.Midlands

A.L.F. activists smashed the windows of 2 butchers shops, and also a window at 'Furs of Canada'.
2 windows were smashed at a fishing tackle warehouse where the slogan 'Fishing is a bloodsport' was daubed.

Early Summer 1984 - Lancashire

About 20 rats liberated from a school which intended to use them for dissection.All now in good homes.
Horse taken from farm where it had been neglected, starved and brutally treated. Now lives in a sanctuary.

Early Summer 1984 - Waterford, Eire

Several stacks of rat poison taken from the grounds of a nursing home where it had been laid to poison rats.

June/July 1984 - Stockport, GreaterManchester

Constant campaign by A.L.F. activists against Kentucky Fried Chicken shop. Windows broken several times and damage done to signs.

June/July 1984 - Wrexham, N.Wales

Windows of Boots the chemist smashed in protest against involvement in vivisection.
Butchers shops frequently daubed and locks glued. Van belonging to a man who had been heard bragging that he had killed a pig over his bath at home, scratched and daubed.
Dog rescued from a callous owner at Leeswood. It was left outside chained up in all weathers all year round without a kennel. It was taken to a vet and treated at the expense of

local animal lovers, and has now settled into a new,warm,dry home.

Early July 1984 - Cappoquin, Co.Waterford, Eire
A.L.F. attack on Cappoquin Poultry Ltd. poultry slaughterers and processors.
2 lorries and a car paintstrippered and damaged.

Early July 1984 - Ramsgate, Kent
Lorry belonging to Gilhams Butchers sprayed with slogans (Blood-Money' etc) by A.L.F. activists. This was the latest of several attacks on Gilhams' vehicles.

Early July 1984 - Waterford, Eire
A.L.F. activists wrecked the sign advertising a turkey farm (where turkeys are reared in cages) and painted 'Murderers' on the wall.
Paint stripper and graffiti was used to cause damage to 3 butchers shops.

Early July 1984 - Coventry Area, W.Midlands
A.L.F. activists smashed the windows of 7 butchers shops and damaged a lorry belonging to Swifts Meat Wholesalers.

July 1st 1984 - Bletchley, Bucks
The Animal Liberation Front struck at Bletchley Meats in Third Avenue and emblazoned their symbol across several doors, in red paint.
Three doors to the plant had their locks sealed with glue and the firm's employees had to prise them open before they could start work the following morning.
A spokesman for the firm told the local paper that the incident had cause them a lot of inconvenience.

July 2nd 1984 - Salibury, Wilts
Animal rights activist James Walsh was convicted by Salisbury Magistrates of the theft of 12 chickens worth £3.50 each and a telephone directory worth £42.50. This was in connection with the A.L.F. raid on 23rd May 1984 on Salisbury Laboratories where experiments are carried out on chickens kept in crowded cages. During the raid 12 chickens were rescued and damage was caused to the lab. James Walsh was acquitted of causing the £5,000 worth of damage at the lab but on the theft charge was fined £400 and ordered to pay costs.

July 3rd 1984 - Regents Park,London

In a late night raid the A.L.F. got into the offices at London Zoo and took documents which proved a link between the zoo and vivisection laboratories and showed the callous attitude of the zoo in its cynical 'culling' of unprofitable animals. The raid, and the information contained in the documents, received widespread publicity which caused considerable embarrasment to the zoo and hopefully will have persuaded them to improve their behaviour.

The group responsible for the raid said afterwards: ''Animals regarded as surplus are sent for experimentation and it is also clear that animals are bred far in excess of need to produce young cuddly ones and the older ones are disposed of."

July 5th 1984 - Long Marston, Warwicks

A.L.F activists attacked and rescued 50 hens in a raid on a battery farm in the early hours of the morning.

They daubed slogans and poured paint-stripper on a lorry and 2 cars. Other damage was also caused to the lorry. Total damage was estimated at £4,000.

The target was Springfield Farm in Welford Road, which was selected because it was one of the largest in the area.

Empty cages were also damaged and the office of the farm was broken into with many files taken and others destroyed.

All the rescued hens are now in safe homes.

An A.L.F. spokesman told the Stratford-upon-Avon Herald that the raid was a protest against'the cruel and unnecessary abuse of factory farm animals.'

July 6th 1984 - Treuddyn, Clwyd, N.Wales

2 pedigree puppies rescued from a vivisection supplier.

Wrexham group of the Animal Liberation Front claimed responsibility for the action in a telephone call to the Evening Leader newspaper.

''Two dogs suffering from malnutrition and deficiency diseases were rescued on Friday night,'' claimed the spokesman. ''The dogs were kept in a dark box without food and water and were in a foul smelling condition when found. The dogs are now in safe homes."

July 6th 1984 - Barbourne, Worcester

A.L.F. attacked the premises of Jeynes Freezer Centre, a large meat centre in Worcester. 3 plate-glass windows were smashed

causing £1,000 damage. 'Meat is Murder' and 'Profit from Death' painted on the shop walls.
In a telephone call to the local paper one of the activists responsible stated ''Animals are not meat machines and until this is realised,action like this will continue.''

July 6th 1984 - London,West End
A.L.F. activist spray painted slogans all over a Baxter's meat van which was discovered in a car park in Burlington Rd.

July 6th 1984 - New Milton, Hants
A.L.F. smashed the window of a butcher and game dealer at Sidney Pickles' shop in Fernhill Lane causing several hundred pounds worth of damage. 'ALF' slogan was also sprayed in red paint on the shopfront brickwork. Pickles' son, David, who is also in the business and lives above the shop is a huntsman with the New Forest Beagles.

July 7th 1984 - Windsor,Berks
In the early hours A.L.F. activists broke into the offices from where the Shooting Times and other magazines promoting blood sports are published.
Thousands of pounds worth of damage was caused to typewriters, a photocopier, a teleprinter, a photographic enlarger and other expensive equipment. The telephone switchboard was completely put out of action and many files were destroyed. Before leaving the raiders blocked sinks and left taps running so as to cause further damage by flooding.
An anonymous spokeswoman later told the press: 'We hit them because of their hysterical defence of the wanton murder of animals.'

July 7th 1984 - Bournemouth area, Dorset
Windows of three butchers shops in Moordown, Winton and Parkstone smashed by the A.L.F. using catapults and ball bearings.
After smashing the windows of Baxters in Wimbourne Rd, Winton, the projectile went 25 feet across the shop and became embedded in the side of a fridge.
The other shops attacked were Roberts in Wimbourne Rd. Moordown,

and Vernon and Tear in Penn Hill Avenue, Parkstone where there was also the daubing of the letters A.L.F. in green paint. Sylvia Bolt, the local press officer for the A.L.F. told the Advertiser newspaper: ' Butchers are being hit because in Britain every working day 3,000 animals are killed for food every minute. It's the most accepted form of animal abuse and we want to get the public to think.

'The majority of food animals come from factory farms which are intensely cruel and the animals are slaughtered in terrifying ways.

'Butchers will continue to be raided. We've already put one out of business because he couldn't afford the insurance on his windows.'

July 8th 1984 - Ramsgate, Kent

A.L.F. glued the locks of Dawes the Butchers.

July 8th 1984 - Wrexham, N.Wales

The Animal Liberation Front struck at the SMC(meat) Ltd. abattoir in Crescent Rd. Wrexham. Activists smashed the lights and windows of lorries parked outside and painted slogans on the walls of the building.

Abattoir manager Mr Glyn Hughes told a local paper: ''It happened about three or four months ago aswell, but they just sprayed paint then. They're getting worse and smashed up lorries this time.''

Estimated damage £2,000.

The group also smashed the windows of 4 butchers shops and a hunting shop. Catapults were used in all attacks, but one where a stone bearing the initials A.L.F. was thrown through a butchers shop window in the Queens Park area.

The A.L.F. claimed responsibility for all the attacks in an anonymous telephone calls to 2 local papers.

July 8th 1984 - Rossendale, Lancs

Members of A.L.F. raided Mayfield Chickens Ltd in Ewood Bridge. Slogans were sprayed on 5 lorries. The firm supplies chickens to battery farms.

July 9th 1984 - Huddersfield, W. Yorks

ALF activists rescued 2 rabbits from cramped and filthy conditions at an allotment. Both are now in good homes.

July 10th 1984 - Margate and Cliftonville,Kent
A.L.F. activists glued up the locks of 11 shops involved in animal abuse, including butchers and fishing tackle shops.

July 10th 1984 - Bournemouth, Dorset
A.L.F. activists smashed window of Furs International.

July 11th 1984 - Whitstable,Kent
4 butchers shops had locks glued by A.L.F.

July 11th 1984 - Bournemouth, Dorset
A.L.F. activists returned to Furs International (where they had smashed a window on the previous night) and thoroughly glued up the locks. Workmen had to be called in to change the locks before the shop could open for business.

July 13th 1984 - Westbourne, Dorset
£200 damage caused when A.L.F. activists daubed Peter Ley Furriers in Poole Rd. with paint. Before attacking the shop the activists damaged a security camera belonging to Peter Leys to the tune of several hundred pounds.

July 13th 1984 - Salisbury, Wilts
A.L.F. launched an attack on the business premises and home of vet and former City Mayor Peter Dalton, who is heavily involved in animal persecution.
Activists made him their target for the second time in 2 months when they sprayed slogans on the outside walls of Salisbury Laboratories Ltd, where he carries out experiments on chickens kept in cramped cages.
The raiders then travelled to Dalton's home where they rescued 40 pheasant chicks from a batch of several hundred being kept in a stable. The young pheasants were being reared by Dalton for supply to gamekeepers so that they could be shot by blood-sport fanatics.
The A.L.F. team also sprayed slogans over the outside of Dalton's house and poured brake fluid over his car, causing considerable damage to the paintwork.
The group responsible stated that they had carried out the raids because of Dalton's involvement in cruelty to animals and as a protest against a £400 fine recently imposed on animal rights campaigner James Walsh for his part in a raid on Salisbury Laboratories on May 23rd when 12 chickens were rescued.

July 13th 1984 - Longridge,Nr Preston,Lancs

A.L.F. members liberated more than 500 mink from 2 fur farms. An A.L.F. spokesman said that ten activists cut through fences at the 2 farms at 3.a.m. and set the animals free. The spokesman for the Merseyside and Wigan branches of the A.L.F. told the press ' This is the first time this action has been taken in the north. It is the start of a new campaign and we intend to hit these places hard.'

Animal Liberation slogans were daubed on outbuildings at one of the farms and during one of the raids the activists got past a guard dog by making friends with it.

Conditions at the mink farms were described by the raiders' spokesman as being very poor with the cages squashed and cramped.

July 13th 1984 - Longniddry, E.Lothian, Scotland

A.L.F. raiders daubed protest slogans on the home of an animal torture lab.boss.

Red paint was sprayed on the walls of his bungalow and paint stripper poured over his car.

The pre-dawn raid took place at the Longniddry, East Lothian home of Dr.Ian Sword, managing director of Inveresk Research Laboratories at Tranent.

Daubed on the walls of the white-walled house in Campbell Road were the slogans 'vivisector' , 'animal torturer' and 'murderer'.

Later a woman phoned the Sunday Mail newspaper claiming the raid was carried out by a'secret cell' of the Animal Liberation Front.

She said: 'Inveresk Laboratories are one of the largest contract research labs in Europe and carry out horrific toxicity tests on a wide variety of animals.'

July 14th 1984 - Oldham, Greater Manchester

A.L.F. smashed 5 windows in a McDonalds restaurant.

Mid-July 1984 - Milton Keynes, Bucks.

Meat factory daubed by A.L.F.

Mid-July 1984 - Wolverton,Bucks.

Butchers shop daubed by A.L.F.

Mid-July 1984 - Macclesfield,Cheshire

A.L.F. sprayed anti-meat slogans and glued lock on a private slaughter house at Bank St. Macclesfield, Cheshire. This is the 3rd attack on these premises.

July 15th 1984 - Ayr, Scotland

4 fishing boats in Ayr harbour were damaged in the early hours of the morning in a spray paint attack by members of the A.L.F.

The activists sprayed slogans on the boats in protest against Kyle and Carrick Sea Angling Festival which was due to take place later in the day. They also destroyed signs and murals, painted on the boats owners' huts.

The slogans branded the boat owners as 'fish killers' and 'scum'. They also stated 'fish feel pain','fishing is a bloodsport' and ' stop the suffering'.

In an anonymous phone call to the Ayrshire Post an A.L.F. spokesman said: 'The action was carried out as a protest against fishing which is as cruel as that other bloodsport, fox-hunting. A 3 year inquiry financed by the RSPCA concluded that fish do feel pain and the mouth is particularly sensitive. It is for this reason that we act on their behalf.'

July 15th 1984 - Toronto, Canada

The Animal Liberation Front broke into a laboratory at the University of Toronto to rescue rats and damage equipment. The group broke into the lab in the Sidney Smith building on St.George Street,caused thousands of dollars worth of damage to equipment, painted slogans on the walls and rescued about 50 rats.

An A.L.F. spokeswoman who telephoned the Toronto Globe and Mail said that the action had been taken because the lab's purpose is to deliberately inflict pain on animals and study their response.

She said that '50 rats were liberated and placed in homes,' and that 'thousands and thousands of dollars of damage was done' in the raid.

The spokeswoman said files taken during the break-in showed that cats, monkeys and rats have been subjected to brain manipulation experiments and shock treatments.

July 15th 1984 - Wakefield, W.Yorks

Shortly after midnight A.L.F. activists rescued 12 hens from cramped cages at a battery farm.
Conditions in the battery shed were filthy and there was a pile of dead hens in one of the corners.
The rescued hens are now in a good home in free-range conditions.

July 16th 1984 - Hounslow, Middx.

A.L.F. attacked the local McDonalds hamburger restaurant in the High St. causing £1,300 damage.
A 10ft by 6ft plate glass window was smashed, the locks super-glued and 'Meat is Murder' slogans daubed around the shop in foot high letters.
According to the local paper police belei ve bricks were thrown to smash the window.
A spokesman for McDonalds told the paper 'This kind of attack seems to be becoming more common.....'

July 17th 1984 - Hathersleigh, Devon.

A.L.F. members found rotting carcasses at a Devon farm when they moved in to rescue 24 dogs.
The raid on Shallowford Farm, near Hatherleigh, by the South West Animal Liberation Front, followed months of surveillance.
The 15 puppies and 9 adult dogs were rescued in a daylight operation.
The police and the RSPCA both launched investigations into the affair.
In an anonymous telephone call to a newspaper reporter, a man speaking for the A.L.F. described sickening scenes at the farm.
'There are dead pigs and sheep lying around. The animals are decomposing, festering and rotting. It is an absolutely disgusting mess.
These are terrible conditions. Dead animals are thrown to the dogs who were living in their own excreta.
This is the worst place I have seen in this country or any other country, or in books or films or pictures.'
He said that the A.L.F. had been watching the farm for four or five months and he warned that similar raids would be made in the future.
'Other places in the South-West of England are going to be paid a visit. Whether it is day or night we will take them.'

The rescued dogs included Yorkshire Terriers, St.Bernards, labradors and spaniels.
Before the raiders left they sprayed slogans on farm buildings in red paint.
Early the next morning the dogs were taken to the Wool Lodge animal sanctuary at Hyde,near Wareham in Dorset.
Following publicity in local and regional newspapers the sanctuary recieved hundreds of offers of homes for the dogs, some from people living as far apart as Ireland and the Isle of Wight.
The sanctuary had to keep the dogs for a while before homing them while the matter was under investigation by the police and RSPCA and their treatment and care cost over £1,000. Some had pneumonia, mineral deficiences,rickets and eye and ear infections. All the adult dogs had to be clipped because their coats were matted with excreta.
Margeret Green, the owner of the sanctuary, told a local paper that the dogs were in awful condition and that 2 of the bitches were pregnant.
The proprieter of Shallowford Farm,Mr Maurice Young, has been fined £1,800 and ordered to pay £194 costs by Okehampton Magistrates after pleading guilty to 18 counts of causing unnecessary suffering to the dogs.
An allegation brought by West Devon Borough Council that he kept a breeding establishment without a licence was adjourned until October 18th.

July 18th 1984 - Maidstone,Kent
A.L.F. activists glued the locks of 18 shops involved in animal abuse, including butchers, Boots the Chemist, fishing tackle shops.

July 18th 1984 - Sittingbourne area, Kent
Locks of 34 shops involved in animal abuse glued by A.L.F. activists. Shops attacked included butchers, Boots the Chemist, fishmongers, farm shops and burger bars.

July 18th 1984 - Ramsgate,Kent
Lorry belonging to Swifts Meat Co. was paintstrippered and had locks glued by A.L.F. while it was parked overnight in a car park.

July 18th 1984 - London, E.9

A.L.F. poured paint stripper over 2 lorries belonging to Plumtree Farms Ltd. who manufacture sausages.

July 19th 1984 - St Albans,Herts.

A.L.F. broke into the Winches Farm outpost of the London school of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and caused damage in an operating theatre where painful experiments are carried out on animals.

Equipment was smashed, slogans painted and gowns and masks used in carrying out animal experiments were ruined with spray paint.

The raiders, who used walkie-talkies to co-ordinate the action, were unable to rescue any animals but took photographs of monkeys being kept for experimentation which were later supplied to local newspapers.

It was almost 2 years to the day that A.L.F. rescued 6 cats from the same establishment.

July 21st 1984 - Heidelberg, W.Germany

8 activists of the A.T. arrested by the police while attempting to rescue animals from cruel experiments at the Therare-tifum.

July 21st 1984 - London,Leeds,Southampton

Small amount of bleach put in bottles of animal tested Sunsilk shampoo on shelves of Boots the chemist stores and bottles marked with a cross and adequate warnings given so that the public would not be at risk.

Resulted in thousands of bottles of Sunsilk shampoo being cleared from the shelves of Boots stores. Thus causing economic loss and disruption to the Elida Gibbs Co. (manufacturers of Sunsilk) and Boots - both of them involved in cruel experiments.

A warning letter from the A.L.F. was written to the Sunday Mirror and secretly placed in the revolving doors at the Mirror building in London. The letter criticised the method of testing shampoo by dripping it into rabbits eyes - and the warning told how the relevant bottles would be found at the back of the shelves with a cross at the bottom.

The action caused Boots to temporarily withdraw all bottles of Sunsilk shampoo from 200 shops in the 3 areas.

An area spokeman for the A.L.F. told the Southampton Advertiser 'We don't want to hurt anyone but sometimes action has to be

extreme like this to open the eyes of the public and especially the manufacturers.
I don't know which of our members is responsible for this but I would say it's just the beginning of a long campaign - we've been talking for years - now it's time for a tougher line. The public will always be given fair warning.'

July 22nd 1984 - Bavaria, W.Germany.
Raid on battery farm by 'Autonomous Animal Defenders' in early hours of the morning. 50,000 hens removed from cages - there were up to 7 to a cage measuring 30 x40 cm - and cages damaged.

July 22nd 1984 - Southampton
In the early hours activists smashed several windows of the Duphar Pharmaceuticals offices and warehouse in West End, Southampton. The company contract out to vivisection laboratories to test their drugs and it is strongly rumoured that Southampton University's medical laboratory is involved with Duphar.
A statement was left on the doorstep of Duphar to the effect that they can expect further visits in the future.

July 22nd 1984 - Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
A.L.F. rescued a female golden retriever type dog (later named Jasmine) from painful experiments at the University of Penn - sylvania.
Jasmine's right eye had been removed by experimenters, her right ear had been sewn shut, and her throat was draining pus. She was dehydrated,exhausted, and in respiratory distress when removed by the A.L.F. Following the raid she underwent corrective surgery at a veterinary clinic in Ohio.
Jasmine is clearly a former human companion who may have been stolen or lost and was sold from a pound into experimentation. The law in Pennsylvania allows ponnd animals to be sold for vivisection.

July 22nd 1984 - Coventry,W.Midlands
A.L.F. activists smashed a window at Pinks, the butchers shop in Brownshill Green Rd.Keresley, and another at the Good Grooming pets salon in Vecqueray St. In the salon attack they also daubed the slogan 'Dogs are not toys' on a wall.

July 24th 1984 - Widnes,Cheshire
A member of Merseyside ALF was in the process of drawing up

plans for a raid on a disused cottage when the owner made one of his rare visits. A dog (now named Sandy), which had been in the cottage for approximately 18 months, made an even rarer visit to the grounds of the cottage, when it slipped past the owner.

Equipment was collected from a nearby house where it had been stored for a raid on the cottage. Instant action was then taken to rescue the dog.

The dog was in a fit state physically due to local people regularly throwing food through the broken windows but simply craved attention and was very scared of a collar or holding ones hands out over it.

Sandy is now in a good home.

According to the Widnes Weekly News a member of the Merseyside cell of the Animal Liberation Front, who wished only to be known as 'White Fox' contacted them to say that they had snatched the dog after complaints from local residents who alleged it was being ill-treated.

White Fox said the animal was being used as a guard dog at a disused cottage on the corner of Norlands Lane and Cronton Lane. He said the dog had been trapped inside the house for the last 18 months.

Concerned for the welfare of the animal, the A.L.F. have had Mr Laverick's premises under surveillance. They had planned to storm the building wearing balaclava helmets and brandishing crowbars in a bid to rescue the dog. But White Fox explained they decided to snatch the dog on Tuesday 24th because Mr Laverick had allowed it to roam free.

In broad daylight, members of the A.L.F. made their way across fields at the rear of Mr.Laverick's premises and used wire cutters as a way through the fence. Once inside they daubed 'Dog Abuser, A.L.F.' in huge white letters on the cottage wall.

White Fox pointed out that his organisation had been contacted as the last resort, because the RSPCA had made attempts to see the dog but were allegedly chased by Mr. Laverick.

The dog, said White Fox, had already been found a home, and would be well cared for.

Defiant after his day's work, White Fox claimed that if Mr Laverick were to buy another dog they would 'destroy' his premises.

July 24th 1984 - Worcester

A.L.F. activists smashed the windows of a butchers and a fur shop.

July 25th 1984 - Paris,France

In an attack in the Sannois suburb of Paris activists from the Front de Liberation de L'Animal damaged a bulldozer by filling its petrol tank with sand and setting fire to the cab, after checking that there was no danger of the fire spreading to endanger either animals or trees.
The bulldozer was being used to destroy a wood so that the land could be used as a rubbish dump. The wood being one of the rare areas around Paris where wild animals(squirrels etc) could still live peacefully.

July 26th 1984 - Montmorency Forest,France

In an action in the Forest(about 20 miles away from Paris) F.L.A. activists did considerable damage when they cut padlocks off gates and cut through many pieces of wire which formed part of a 2½ mile long fence.
The fence had been erected to divide the forest in two so that half of it could be cut down by lumberjacks.
The F.L.A. carried out the action as they considered the proposed tree-felling to be an attack against wildlife. An F.L.A. spokesman said that the reduction and destruction of the habitat of wild animals and the depletion of their sources of food involved more cruelty than killing them by shooting.

July 26th 1984 - Hambleton, Lancs.

A.L.F. group rescued 5 hens from a battery unit.

July 26th 1984 - Pennsylvania,U.S.A.

In a daylight raid members of the A.L.F. entered the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine and removed the following animals: 4 cats with electrodes implanted in their brains who were being used in sleep deprivation experiments; 8 pigeons with steel bands embedded in their wings;and a dog being held in a small cage for an experiment on aging.
According to an A.L.F. spokesman, the rescued animals had lived for up to a year in loneliness and isolation, without love or companionship, or any semblance of a whole or natural existence. He said that they would be placed in prearranged

loving homes following appropriate veterinary treatment.

July 27th 1984 - Liverpool Crown Court

After a 3 day trial animal rights campaigner Brian Swales was finally acquitted of throwing a smoke bomb into a fur shop in Liverpool.

Almost a year ago the A.L.F. lobbed a smoke bomb into Barry Furs in Liverpool City Centre during lunchtime shopping, resulting in the fur shop being closed for the rest of the day.

Later Brian was arrested on highly dubious identification evidence and charged with arson and criminal damage. It was a week before he was allowed bail and while he was in custody all 3 front windows of Barry Furs were smashed in another A.L.F. attack.

Brian had an alibi for the time of the smoke bomb raid - and no doubt because of this and the flimsy nature of the police evidence, the jury chose to acquit him of the charges.

July 28th &29th 1984 - Birmingham

Animal Liberation Front members broke the windows of 11 butchers shops in Selly Oak,Kings Heath, Harborne,Stirchley and Moseley. The windows of Faulkes the Furriers in Five Ways were also smashed.

An A.L.F. spokesman later told the Birmingham Express and Star in an anonymous phone call that the attacks were a protest against the 'systematic slaughter' of animals for the fur and meat trade.

He added 'The Animal Liberation Front pledges to carry on this work until all forms of animal abuse have been wiped out.'

July 29th 1984 - Argenteuil,Paris,France

F.L.A. activists used a brick to smash the front windscreen of a meat van which was parked in the Avenue de Verdun.

July 29th 1984 - Oxford

Nurse the Furriers in Magdalen Street daubed with red paint by a group called 'Autonomous Action Alliance'

The group sent a letter to the editor of the Oxford Mail written in red ink and headed 'Communique No.1' in which they said that the paint attack was merely a cautionary gesture

and that it would'no longer tolerate the brutalities of the fur trade.'
The letter continued 'If these people continue to cause suffering,then from here on,the going gets rough.'

July 29th 1984 - Wrexham,N.Wales
Slogans daubed on the windows of 5 butchers shops.

July 29th 1984 - Kirkham, Lancs.
Raid on battery unit. 7 hens rescued. Damage caused to tractor.

July 30th 1984 - Streatham,S.London
The A.L.F. attacked 2 Dewhursts butchers shops.
The slogan 'meat means murder' was written on the doors and the locks were glued up.
'The action was in protest against Dewhursts,who are responsiblefor the deaths of many thousands of innocent animals each month,' an A.L.F. spokesman told the South Western Star.
'These creatures have a right to live and the Animal Liberation Front will not stand aside and let these atrocities be committed.'
'Further actions are planned.'

July 30th 1984 - Southborough,Kent
A.L.F. removed wooden signs pointing the way to Cross Brothers Circus from high up on lamp-posts in the Tonbridge/Southborough/Tunbridge Wells area, smashed them up, daubed them with A.L.F. initials and deposited them back at the circus the same night. Signs which could not be removed were pointed in the wrong direction.
This action was carried out because the circus has a menagerie and use performing animals.

July 31st 1984 - Old Hatfield, Herts.
A.L.F. paint attack on The Compleat Angler in Salisbury Sq.
The shop specializes in fishing and other bloodsports equipment and is a member of the British Field Sports Society.
On the front windows was sprayed 'Animal Liberation Front' and on the back 'Murder is no sport' and 'Fishing is a bloodsport'.
An A.L.F. spokeswoman told the Welwyn and Hatfield Times that there would be further attacks on animal abuse shops.
'We will continue this type of action until this cruel trade

is removed from our streets', she said.
Her statement continued 'Fish are feeling creatures and should be allowed to live in their own environment without being murdered for human entertainment'.

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